

State of South Dakota

EIGHTIETH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, 2005

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HOUSE BILL NO. 1007

Introduced by: The Committee on Local Government at the request of the Office of the
Secretary of State

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to revise certain provisions concerning voter registration.
2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:

3 Section 1. That § 12-4-1.1 be repealed.

4 ~~12-4-1.1. If requested by the county auditor, a convicted felon shall provide the proper~~
5 ~~release documents to the county auditor when registering to vote. The release documents shall~~
6 ~~certify that the convicted felon's entire sentence has been completed.~~

7 Section 2. That § 12-4-5.5 be amended to read as follows:

8 12-4-5.5. At the time voter registration information is transmitted from a county to the
9 statewide voter registration file, the authenticity of the driver license number shall be verified
10 with the driver license database. If the person has provided the last four digits of his or her social
11 security number, the social security database shall be checked to determine that the number,
12 name, and date of birth are accurate and that this information does belong to such person. If any
13 of this information is reported as not being accurate, the county auditor ~~may not file~~ shall
14 withdraw the voter registration and ~~shall~~ attempt to get the correct information with the process
15 provided in 12-4-5.3. The State Board of Elections may promulgate rules, pursuant to chapter



1 1-26, determining technical parameters for the driver license and social security database
2 verification.

3 Section 3. That § 12-4-6.1 be amended to read as follows:

4 12-4-6.1. A voter registration shall be considered to be effective on the date which the card
5 is received by the county auditor. However, if the card was completed at one of the agencies
6 listed in § 12-4-2, is received by the auditor within five days following any registration deadline
7 and is dated by the deadline, the card shall be considered to be effective on the date which it was
8 signed at the agency. If a card does not contain all of the information required by the form
9 prescribed pursuant to § 12-4-6 or if the card contains information which is not correct, it shall
10 be considered to be effective on the date all of the correct, required information is supplied to
11 the county auditor.

12 Section 4. That § 12-4-19.1 be amended to read as follows:

13 12-4-19.1. The confirmation mailing notice shall be a double postcard stating that the voter's
14 registration may be canceled if the card is not returned. In addition, the card shall state that if
15 the information on the return card is correct, the voter must sign and return the card within thirty
16 days or the voter's registration will become inactive. The card shall also state that if the
17 information on the return card is not correct, the voter shall send the correct information to
18 update the voter's registration ~~in South Dakota~~ or the voter's registration will become inactive.
19 If the card is returned indicating a new address in another county in South Dakota or another
20 state, the card shall serve as a cancellation authorization ~~and a reregistration in the new county~~.
21 The card shall also give information on reregistering if the voter has moved to another county
22 or state. The card shall give the information about the voter as it appears in the registration
23 records.